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Technology Center 2100

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Before PAMELA S. BENNETT, *Review Team Paralegal*.

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 8, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matters requiring attention prior to docketing.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Appellant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated July 12, 2006. There is no indication on the record that the Examiner has considered the above IDS. *Manual of Patent Examining Procedure* (MPEP) (Eighth Edition, Rev. 4, October 2005) § 609 requires the Examiner to consider any IDS filed by Applicant if timely submitted. A written communication notifying Appellant of the Examiner's consideration of the above IDS is required. This deficiency was previously noted by the Appeal Center Return dated September 27, 2007.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) for acknowledgement and consideration of the IDS filed July 12, 2006; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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